# Downtown Crossing Open House



May 8, 2013







#### Who We Are



#### \* Walsh Design Build Team – includes:

- \* The Walsh Group Largest Midwest transportation contractor, 114 years in business
- Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. 3rd largest design firm, extensive experience in major river crossings and interchanges
- \* Milestone Construction Company –Indiana's largest road builder, employees 1,000+ locally





## Overall Ohio River Bridges Project



#### Where to Learn More

## www.kyinbridges.com



- News, updates, traffic information
- \* Add yourself to email list
- Photos, renderings and videos
- \* Events/Meetings

# Other Sources of Information: Downtown Crossing



\* @LouDntwnBridge



\* Louisville Downtown Bridge



\* Project Hotline: 1-888-ORB-1993

### What We're Building Downtown



#### **Project Wide:**

- 60+ overpasses and bridges
- 60+ retaining walls
- 1.3 million cubic yds earthwork
- 538,000 feet piling
- 442,000 tons asphalt

#### **River Bridge:**

- 2,114 feet long with 3 towers
- 71 feet above water in shipping lane
- 50,000 cubic yds concrete
- 15.8 million pounds steel

## Where We're Working Three Sections Simultaneously

#### Section 1 – Kentucky approach

I-65 from Muhammad Ali to Kennedy Bridge I-64 River Road to Mellwood I-71 Interchange to Frankfort Avenue





Section 2: Bridges

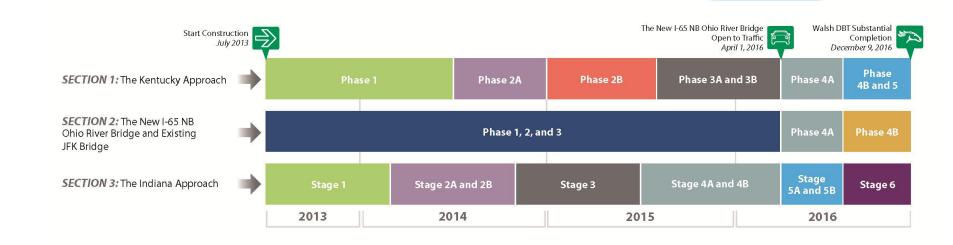
NB I-65 Cable Stayed Bridge SB I-65 Existing JFK Bridge Re-decking

Section 3: Indiana approach

I-65 from W. Market St. north to Stansifer Ave



# Construction Schedule 2013-2016



# Construction Schedule 2013

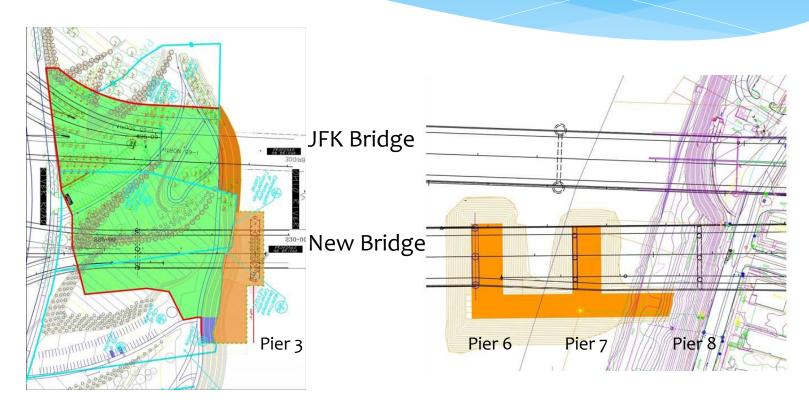


Area	Work: Impact	Starting Timeline
Section 1: Kentucky Approach	<ul> <li>Adams Street relocation: current Adams Street open during construction of relocated street</li> <li>Ramp closure: I-64 Eastbound to I-65 Southbound: consider I-264 as alternate route</li> <li>Retaining Walls for new Southbound I-65: lane restrictions on Southbound I-65 from Witherspoon to Muhammad Ali</li> <li>Overpass Construction at Main &amp; Market, and Witherspoon @ I-71: daytime lane restrictions; nighttime closures may be required during beam setting</li> </ul>	·
Section 2: Bridges	<ul> <li>Kennedy Bridge Repairs: I-65 southbound reduced to one lane from 9 pm Fridays to 5 am Mondays</li> <li>Causeway construction at Indiana side: no traffic impact, river traffic maintained</li> <li>Waterfront Park safety zone fencing/Bulkhead construction at Kentucky side: detour for pedestrians/cyclists along River Road sidewalk</li> <li>Pier Shaft Drilling: no traffic impact</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Weekends only, May 10-13, May 17-20 and May 31-June 3</li> <li>June 2013</li> <li>May 2013</li> <li>June 2013</li> </ul>
Section 3: Indiana Approach	<ul> <li>Exit 0 northbound ramp work: current NB Exit 0 remains open during construction of new exit ramp</li> <li>Building and signage removal: no traffic impact</li> <li>Retaining Walls between Market &amp; Court: no traffic impact</li> <li>Retaining Walls &amp; Ramps at Stansifer Avenue: lane restriction on Southbound ramp from Stansifer</li> </ul>	<ul><li>July 2013</li><li>Underway</li><li>July 2013</li><li>July 2013</li></ul>

## Our Bridge Building Equipment



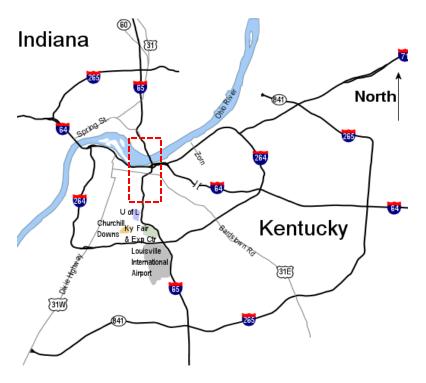
### Construction Access Safety Zones



Kentucky Staging Area – Bulkhead

Indiana Staging Area - Causeway

### Getting from Here to There



#### **Traffic Maintenance Goals**

- \* Maintain traffic flow
- Minimize disruptions
- Support timely project completion
- Communicate lane narrowings/ changes/closures
  - \* Signage
  - \* Variable Message signs
  - \* Highway advisory radio
  - \* Website
  - \* News media
  - \* Social media
  - \* Email

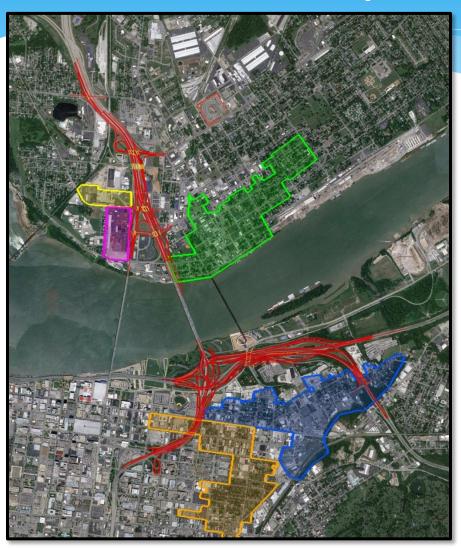
### It's a Construction Project, but...



- Two lanes of traffic to be maintained in each direction on interstates at all times
- \* River Road sidewalk connecting Waterfront Park will remain open throughout construction



## Mitigation/Prevention of Construction Impacts – Vibration/Noise



Surveying/Monitoring of Historic District Structures



### Mitigation/Prevention of Construction Impacts – Major Public Events

#### \* Coordination with:

- \* Venue permit offices
- \* Waterfront Development Corporation
- \* Event planners
- Local governments
- First responders



## Aesthetics & Enhancements Process

- \* Guidelines
  - \* Color and texture
  - \* Substantial landscaping that requires minimal maintenance
  - \* Leave areas for planting of annuals by local entities
  - \* Signage designed in coordination with local entities to clearly direct visitors
  - \* An attractive, <u>safe</u>, uncluttered, underpass environment
  - Design minimizes the accumulation of litter
- \* Area Advisory Teams representing local residents/businesses have been involved since early stages of project development
- Walsh DBT recently met twice with each AAT regarding specific options
- \* Final recommendations to be approved by Bi-State Management Team

## Aesthetics & Enhancements Plaza Example



Witherspoon & River at Big Four Bridge

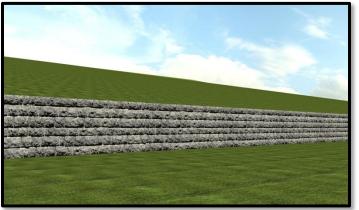
## Aesthetics & Enhancements Gateway / Retaining Wall Examples



Market Street, Louisville

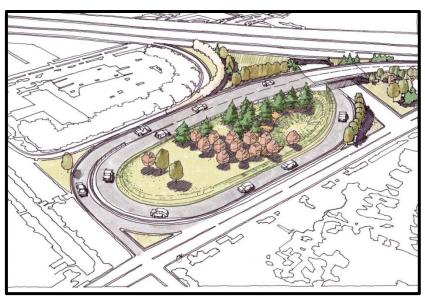


Court Avenue East, Jeffersonville

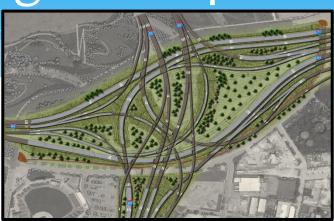


**Retaining Walls** 

## Aesthetics & Enhancements Landscaping/Signage Examples



Liberty Loop, Louisville



Kentucky Approach



Jeffersonville Signage

# Aesthetics & Enhancements Bridge



Indiana Approach Span – Round with Reveals



# Aesthetics and Enhancements Bridge



**Arched Anchor Piers** 



**Angled Tower Piers** 

#### Reminder: Where to Get more Info

- \* Website (www.kyinbridges.com)
- \* 😉 @LouDntwnBridge
- \* If Louisville Downtown Bridge
- \* Local news media
- Twice-yearly open houses
- Stakeholder meetings / presentations
- Project tours
- Direct mailings
- \* Project Hotline 1-888-ORB-1993
- \* Traffic communications
  - Highway Advisory Radio
  - \* Variable Message Signs
  - \* Temporary Signage

